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HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Institute of Nuclear Medicine and Allied Sciences (INMAS) propose to collaborate with Cuba to develop radio immuno diagnostic and radio immuno therapy for Cancer;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal; and

(c) the time by which clinical trials are to be taken place?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) An Indo-Cuban collaborative project entitled Radio-immnotherapy of cancer is ongoing between Institute of Nuclear Medicine and Allied Sciences, Delhi and Centre for MolecularImmunology, Havana, Cuba under the aegis of Department of Science and Technology since February, 2000. Joint experiments for development of radio-immunoconjugates to be used for diagnosis of cancer, were initiated at Cuba in April, 2000 which were followed up at INMAS in October, 2000.

(c) Clinical trials are expected sometimes in early 2002, depending upon the success of the above mentioned studies and necessary clearances in this regard.